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MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 25, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-12, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: